

## **CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

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WSDOT Construction Activity & Possible Delays/June 12-22, 2003

US 2/Fairchild Main Gate Turn Lane (MP 275)-Minor items remain.

**NEW!! SR 21/Republic to the Canada Border (MP 162-191)-**Monday through Friday, June 16-20, crews will be performing prep work for the upcoming chip-seal project on this highway in Ferry County. Motorists should expect single lane traffic directed by flaggers and/or pilot cars with some delays.

NEW!! SR 25/Reinhold Rd. to the Spokane River (MP 17-23)-On Monday, June 16, crews will be performing prep work for the upcoming chip-seal project on this highway in Lincoln County. Motorists should expect single lane traffic directed by flaggers and/or pilot cars with some delays.

SR 25/Kettle Falls to Bossburg (MP 81-102)-Guardrail and other work items will be underway on this highway resurfacing and guardrail update project north of Kettle Falls in Stevens County. Motorists should expect short delays with flaggers and pilot cars directing traffic around the work.

SR 26-Colfax/Palouse River Bridge (MP 133)-Work is underway on this bridge rail replacement project. A traffic barrier in the center of the bridge and temporary traffic signal are in place. Bridge traffic is reduced to one 12 foot lane and controlled by the traffic light. Motorists should use caution and can expect short delays as oncoming traffic crosses the bridge. (Wide loads will be advised of detour routes as part of their over legal permit process.) SPEED LIMIT ALERT: There is a reduction in the legal speed limit to 35 mph on SR 26 in the vicinity of this project. Motorists are required to slow down in this area.

<u>I-90/Salnave Road Interchange to Geiger Blvd. Interchange (MP 265-275)-</u>Work is underway with shoulder and median items on the schedule. Motorists should expect possible lane restrictions with traffic reduced to one lane in each direction and possible slower traffic in the vicinity of active work with equipment and personnel adjacent to and on the roadway. Some intermittent rock blasting work will also be underway. Blasting requires that I-90 be closed in both directions for up to 10 minutes.

This work has been postponed again due to equipment problems. It will be rescheduled at a later date.

RESCHEDULED WORK!! I-90/Eastbound Trent-Hamilton Off Ramp Sign Repairs (MP 282)—On Monday and Tuesday, June 16 and 17, beginning at about 8:30 a.m. to possibly 3:00 p.m., WSDOT Maintenance crews will be working on overhead signs in the eastbound I-90/Trent-Hamilton off ramp lanes. The signs are located between the Division eastbound on ramp and the Trent/Hamilton eastbound double lane off ramp. All ramps and freeway through lanes will remain open. Division Street eastbound on ramp traffic should be prepared to merge onto the mainline prior to reaching the work zone. Trent/Hamilton eastbound off ramp traffic will be able to exit the mainline just after the work zone. No delays expected. (Rescheduled from an earlier date.)

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NEW!! I-90 Eastbound/Altamont to Broadway (MP 283-286)-On Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9:00 a.m. until around 3:00 p.m., WSDOT Maintenance crews will be working on eastbound I-90 between the Altamont Interchange and the Broadway Interchange. The work will be in the left shoulder. Eastbound I-90 will be reduced to two through lanes during this work. Motorists should be alert for slow traffic and some congestion.

NEW!! I-90 Westbound/Evergreen Interchange Vicinity (MP 291)-On Saturday, June 14, from 4:00 a.m. until possibly 9:00 a.m., WSDOT maintenance crews will be repairing an overhead sign at the Evergreen Road interchange bridge. Westbound I-90 will be reduced to one through lane. Westbound motorists should expect slow traffic, congestion, and delays. All on and off ramps will be open.

SR 174/Grant County Line to Wilbur (MP 24-41)-On Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, June 11-13, crews will be performing prep work for the upcoming chip-seal project on this highway in Lincoln County. Motorists should expect single lane traffic directed by flaggers and/or pilot cars with some delays.

HIGH IMPACT!! US 195/Spangle to Excelsior Drive (MP 80-88)- Work is now underway on this surface rehabilitation project south of Spokane. The work is in the southbound lanes only. Pavement work is on the schedule. The southbound lanes will be reduced to one lane at various work sites where new concrete sections are being poured and curing. Motorists may experience some slow traffic near these work sites.

<u>SR 290-Trent Avenue/Spokane River Bridge (MP 0.4-0.6)</u>- Work continues on this bridge replacement project between downtown and Hamilton Street. Trent Ave. is closed to through traffic between Riverpoint Blvd. and Cincinnati Street. Detours are fully signed. Access to all businesses on Trent is available. This is a long-term closure.

<u>US 395 /Colville-Hawthorne Avenue Intersection (MP 229)</u>-Work continues on this intersection project at the south end of Colville. This is a City of Colville project with WSDOT participation. For detailed information call (509) 684-2244.

<u>US 395/Colville (MP 230)</u>-Contractor crews working with the City of Colville will be constructing additional an turning lane, driveway access, and lighting for the Wal-Mart near 8<sup>th</sup> Street in north Colville. Possible lane restrictions.